

of the House today and appear on pages H5709, H5727, H5727–28, H5728–29, H5733–34, and H5734. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM AND COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS REFORMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the Administration's proposals to reform the Food Stamp Program and Commodity Distribution Programs. Testimony was heard from Delegate Faleomavaega; Ellen Haas, Under Secretary, Food and Consumer Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

FARM BILL—PEANUT TITLE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops continued hearings on the 1995 Farm Bill—Peanut Title. Testimony was heard from Dallas Smith, Deputy Under Secretary, USDA; Robert Robinson, Associate Director, Food and Agricultural Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs approved for full Committee action the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative approved for full Committee action Legislative appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS REGULATORY RELIEF ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit concluded hearings on the broad issue of regulatory burden relief as well as those matters addressed in H.R. 1362, Financial Institutions Regulatory Relief Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSFORMATION OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the Transformation of the Medicaid Program. Testimony was heard from the following Governors: Jim Edgar, Illinois; Mike

Leavitt, Utah; Lawton Chiles, Florida; and John Engler, Michigan.

Hearings continue June 15.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials concluded joint hearings on H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PRIVATIZATION ACT

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Ordered reported amendment H.R. 1720, Privatization Act of 1995.

URBAN EDUCATION REFORM AND DC SCHOOLS

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Urban Education Reform and the District of Columbia Schools. Testimony was heard from the following members of the City Council, District of Columbia: Kathleen Patterson, Representative, Ward 1; and William Lightfoot, Representative At-Large; and public witnesses.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the Fair Labor Standards Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SITUATION IN BOSNIA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Situation in Bosnia. Testimony was heard from Peter Tarnoff, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy; and Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND THE BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on religious liberty and the Bill of Rights. Testimony was heard from Representative Istook, and public witnesses.

PATENT LEGISLATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 632, to enhance fairness in compensating owners of patents used by the United States; H.R. 1732, Patent Reexamination Reform

Act of 1995; and H.R. 1733, Patent Application Publication Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representative Frost; Bruce Lehman, Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Kathleen M. Hawk, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; Norman Rabkin, Director, Administration of Justice Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on alternatives for managing on shore federal minerals. Testimony was heard from Sylvia Baca, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals, Department of the Interior; Jim Magagna, Director, Federal Land Policy, State of Wyoming; Michael Byrne, Director, Department of Conservation, State of California; and public witnesses.

COLLECTION OF FEES; OVERSIGHT— FISHERY LAWS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on a number of fishery related issues, including H.R. 649, (S. 268), to authorize the collection of fees for expenses for triploid grass carp certification inspections. Testimony was heard from Representative Lincoln.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the following Fishery Laws: the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act of 1965; the Interjurisdictional Fisheries Act of 1986; the Great Lakes and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990; and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Marine Fisheries Authorization Act. Testimony was heard from Gary Edwards, Assistant Director, Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Nancy Foster, Deputy Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Paul Sandifer, Vice Chairman, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission; and Brad Gilman, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources held a hearing on the following: H.R. 799, and H.R. 599, Bonneville Power Administration Appropriations Refinancing Act; and H.R. 1743, to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to extend the authorizations of appropri-

tions through fiscal year 2000. Testimony was heard from Robert M. Hirsch, Chief Hydrologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Randall W. Hardy, Chief Executive Officer and Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted by a recorded vote of 8 to 4, a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against the bill and provides two hours of general debate on H.R. 1530, National Defense Authorization Act of fiscal year 1996.

The rule makes in order the National Security Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified by striking section 807 (recoupment), and by an amendment printed in part 3 of the report on this rule (dealing with the Elk Hills Naval Petroleum Reserve), as original text for amendment purposes. The substitute shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the substitute.

Unless otherwise specified in the rule, the rule makes in order only amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, certain amendments en bloc, an pro forma amendments offered by the chairman and ranking minority member of the National Security Committee. Except as otherwise specified in the rule, the amendments shall be considered in the order and manner specified in the report. The rule provides that amendments printed in Part 2 of the report shall be debatable for 10-minutes each, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and opponent. The amendments shall be considered as read and are not subject to amendment unless otherwise specified in the report, and are not subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides for an extra 30-minutes of general debate on Cooperative Threat Reduction with the former Soviet Union (Part 1, subpart A); and, an extra 60 minutes of general debate on ballistic missile defense (Part 1, subpart D).

The rule provides that Rep. Clinger may offer a germane modification to his amendment on acquisition reform with the concurrence of Rep. Collins of Illinois.

The chairman of the National Security Committee or his designee is authorized to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments in part 2 of the report or germane modifications thereto, which shall be considered as read except that modifications shall be reported, and which shall not be subject to

amendment or a division of the question in the House or Committee of the Whole, and which shall be debatable for 20-minutes. The rule waives all points of order against the en bloc amendments.

The rule authorizes the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone consideration of a request for a recorded vote on any amendment and to reduce to 5-minutes the time for voting after the first of a series of votes.

The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole is also authorized to recognize for consideration of any amendment printed in the report out of the order in which printed but not sooner than one hour after the chairman of the National Security Committee or a designee announces from the floor a request to that effect.

The rule authorizes the chairman of the National Security Committee to offer an amendment not printed in the report to reconcile spending levels of bill with the final defense spending level contained in the conference report on the budget resolution, which shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment or to a demand for a division of the question, and which shall be debatable for 10-minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the National Security Committee.

Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

MISCELLANEOUS REAUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action the following: Department of Energy R&D Authorization Act; the NOAA Authorization Act; and the EPA R&D Authorization Act; the NOAA Authorization Act; and the EPA R&D Authorization Act.

FAA'S NEW GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM—PREVENTING DELAYS AND COST OVERRUNS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Preventing Delays and Cost Overruns in the FAA's New Global Positioning (Satellite Navigation) System. Testimony was heard from Kenneth M. Mead, Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL INCOME TAX REPLACEMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded hearings on Replacing the Federal Income Tax. Testimony was heard from Senators Specter and Lugar; Representatives Arney, Gephardt, Souder, Tauzin and Schaefer;

Jack Kemp, former Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the recent economic slowdown and its effects on the national economy, receiving testimony from Wayne Angell, Bear, Stearns and Company, New York, New York; and Daniel J. Mitchell, Heritage Foundation, Robert Davis, National Association of Business Economists, and David Wyss, McGraw-Hill, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission held hearings to examine the recent crisis in the continuing conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina, receiving testimony from Bosnia-Herzegovina Prime Minister Haris Silajdzic, Sarajevo.

Commission recessed subject to call.

BILLS VETOED

H.R. 1158, making emergency supplemental appropriations for additional disaster assistance and making rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995. (Vetoed June 7, 1995)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold a closed briefing on the situation in Bosnia, 10:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.